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Sicklinghall Superstars!



Congratulations to everyone who has received a Special Mention Certificate this week:

Charlotte Kunz

Fraser Perry

Harrison Maxwell

Woody Medcalf

Anna Brotheridge

Lily Clee

Elizabeth Beard

Archie Hall

Louie Shaw

Darrian Stennett

Luca Welburn

Louis Young



NEWSLETTER

We have reached the end of another busy and productive term which has finished on a huge high- what a pleasure it has been to see our Y4s make so much progress in so many areas at Bewerley Park. Look out for photos and an update on the school website very soon.

Many thanks for attending the PTFA's Daffodil Tea on Tuesday and huge thanks to our team of dedicated parents and carers for the way in which they planned, led and tidied up after the event- it was very successful and a lovely way to round off the term.

On behalf of all of the staff at Sicklinghall, we wish you a very Happy Easter.

Start of Summer Term

As we close this afternoon for the Easter holiday we wish you all a very happy Easter and look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on **Tuesday 25 April 2017**.

Please note that our Summer Term finishes for the Summer holiday at **2.30pm on Friday 21 July 2017**.

Visit from Pupils at Prasarnmit Elementary School, Bangkok

As part of a recently formed link with a demonstration primary school in Thailand (demonstration primary schools train teachers alongside experienced teachers in primary classrooms), we are delighted to be jointly hosting ten Year 6 pupils and three staff from Prasarnmit Demonstration School, Bangkok from 15th to 26th May at Sicklinghall School. In a joint venture with Goldsborough, this cultural link will provide our pupils with the opportunity to work alongside Thai pupils, learn about their culture and some of the language whilst providing the opportunity for our visitors to be immersed in British culture and education during their stay. There will be opportunities for our pupils to engage in trips and visits in the area as part of our visitors' two week stay.

The Principal at Prasarnmit, Asst Prof. Noppadon Kongsilp, has invited members of our school community to visit his school at some point next academic year.

This is an exciting and unique opportunity for our small schools and one that I know our community will embrace. We hope to give our visitors (in pairs) the opportunity to 'go home to tea' with families during their stay. A further letter to be sent out early in the new term will ask whether you are able to host two pupils for tea on the following evenings after school:

Tuesday 16th May
Friday 19th May
Tuesday 23rd May
Thursday 25th May

If any of these dates are free for your family, please pencil them into your diary to respond to the forthcoming letter which will provide further details.

Silver Birch- an efficient start to the day

We respectfully request that parents and carers catch Miss Gimeno at the ramp entrance at the beginning of the day with any questions they may have, leaving pupils to take off coats and head into the classroom independently. This enables them to begin their guided reading session at 9am prompt without distraction or interruption. We thank you in anticipation of your support.

Parent/Carer Forum Meeting

Many thanks to those able to attend this week's forum. We had a very productive discussion which included school meals, music lessons and after school interest clubs. We very much value your feedback and opinions, which help to shape the provision that we put in place at Sicklinghall. Please continue to share your questions and comments to enable us to build an accurate picture of your views of our school.



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NEW - Forest Schools Club (Yrs 2-6)

Miss Brown will begin a new Forest Schools after school club starting w/c 24 April 2017, details as below:

- Thursday evening, 3:30pm to 4:30pm
- Open to Chill Out and non- Chill Out pupils (Yrs2-6)
- Cost is part of Chill Out fee or £1 charge per week to cover materials for non-Chill Out pupils
- Focus on Forest Schools skills working within the school grounds
- Limited to 12 places

If your child would like to attend places will be allocated on a first come, first serve basis. Please complete and return the consent slip below, along with cash payment (if applicable - see above), by **Tuesday 25 April 2017**. As Summer Term 1 is a 5 week term the cost for this half term will be £5.00. Payments are required in cash please, in a named envelope, marked for the attention of Miss Brown. This is to cover the cost of materials each week.

REMINDER: Drama Club

A reminder that on our first day back at school, **Tuesday 25 April 2017**, Drama Club begins at 3.30pm. Please collect your child from the club at 4.30pm.

To all Cherry Blossom Class parents/carers

REMINDER: Swimming Lessons

May we request that parents/carers spend some time at home practicing the art independent dressing with their children in preparation for our term of swimming lessons. This really does help the children with getting changed into their swimming kits when we are at the pool.

We look forward to starting our term of swimming lessons on the first Wednesday back after the Easter holidays, **Wednesday 26 April** - please remember your swimming kits!

Thank you very much, Mrs Grafton.

Cherry Blossom Class - Visit to Harlow Carr Gardens

Cherry Blossom class thoroughly enjoyed their visit to Harlow Carr Gardens yesterday morning. They enjoyed a scavenger hunt, searching for flowers, birds, insects and cobwebs. Here are some of the comments made on the children's return to school:

'First we went to have a look at plants and we smelled the herbs. I really liked the Lavender' - Nicky.

'My favourite part was looking at the birds. I loved the Blue Tits' - Alexis.

'I loved seeing the big bunny' - Claudia.

Fruity Booty

The **NEW Fruity Booty** payment service for **SUMMER Term 1** is live and available for payments. If your child is in Year 3 - 6 and has fruit each day may we ask that payment is made using this service **before Monday 15 May 2017**.

Unfortunately we have received significantly lower payments for Fruity Booty Spring Term 2. Please could you check if your child has been receiving fruit during this half term and make the £3.50 payment on the Spring 2 ParentPay service if applicable. Thank you.

Music Lessons - Mrs Hanson & Mr Hills

Mrs Hanson's next music lesson in school will be **Monday 8 May 2017**.

Due to SATS tests taking place each morning for our Year 6's w/c 8 May, Mr Hills may be teaching double length lessons during the morning of **Monday 15 May**.

Revised Summer Term Menu

Please see attached revised Summer Term menu as advised by the kitchen yesterday.

Please also note that on Tuesday of Week One, a Cheese Wrap or a Tuna Wrap is available as an alternative to the Cheese/Tuna sandwich as the meal alternative.

Sicklinghall Cricket Club - Junior Summer Coaching

Please see attached information from Sicklinghall Cricket Club regarding their summer coaching:



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1. Sicklinghall Junior Summer Coaching details
2. Sicklinghall Cricket Club Parent Letter
3. Sicklinghall Cricket Club Junior Registration Forms

Mr Finch - After School Club

After the Easter holidays, the 3 Mondays of Summer Term 1 (8/15/22 May) will see Mr Finch's after school club enjoying Cricket. This will then continue during the course of Summer Term 2. If anyone not already attending Mr Finch's after school club would like to do so, please complete the consent slip below and return to the school office.

Mr Finch - Easter Holiday Sports Day

Mr Finch, our school PE coach, will again be running a holiday sports day for all children from Year 2 - Year 6. All details of the day are listed below:

Date: Monday 10th April

Venue: North Rigton Primary School

Times: 9am - 3.30pm

Activities: Multi sports course including dodgeball, football, hockey, netball and gymnastics

Price: £25 per child

Both boys and girls are welcome as well as friends and family from different schools. To book a place please email Jmfinch.coach@gmail.com or call Mr Finch on [07854596959](tel:07854596959). Places are limited.

Easter Holiday Forest School

Harrogate Easter holiday forest school with Get Out More (& Miss Brown): 12th & 13th April. Sicklinghall Schools Miss Brown will once again be working for Yorkshire-based social enterprise Get Out More at their holiday forest school for 5-11 year olds in Harrogate's Hookstone Wood on **Weds 12 & Thurs 12 April**. If you fancy getting outside for some den building, tree climbing, wild games and campfire in the woods this Easter holiday, book your place now: they sold out at February half-term so don't miss out! Booking is essential, via the website: <http://www.getoutmorecic.co.uk/events/> & even if you can't attend you can join their mailing list to hear about

future holiday sessions. If you have any queries please contact Annie on 07974 935105 or annie@getoutmorecic.co.uk <<mailto:annie@getoutmorecic.co.uk>>.

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ParentPay

Thank you for payments already received for various services. **Please ensure that your child's lunch account is in credit before lunches are taken and that your child's Chill Out Zone account is also in credit before places are booked.**

Please may we ask that you check your child's balances for the various trips, clubs, water bottles and services taken to ensure that and any outstanding balances are paid accordingly.

Payment services are available for:

NEW-Fruity Booty-SUMMER Term 1 2017

Yr6 Residential to Fellside, June 2017

Ukulele Lessons - Yr5&Yr6 for Sept 2016

Swimming Lessons for Silver Birch class

Swimming Lessons for Cherry Blossom class

Breakfast Club

Chill Out Zone

Please make payments accordingly if applicable for your child. Thank you.

Spotted

Spotted- this week's spotted is a Bewerley Park special.

Isabelle- for being, in the words of Bewerley staff, a 'total legend'.

Hannah S- her flawless scrambling skills at Brimham.

Eleanor- for launching herself backwards into an icy gorge.

Gabriella- for tackling huge challenges around Brimham Rocks.

Callum- for rising to meet significant challenges with determination.

Victoria- for squeezing through a dark gap in the mine with confidence.



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Hannah D- the way in which she confidently tackled all challenges in the ghyll.

Evelyn- for pushing herself through the 'cheese press' at Brimham with determination.

Mrs Keyse- for wearing her encouraging smile from Wednesday morning to Friday afternoon!

Charity Clothes Swap & Fashion Show

Please see attached poster from St Aidan's CofE High School regarding this charity event taking place on the evening of Friday 5 May 2017.

Friday Folders

Please could you ensure that your Friday Folders are returned to the school **on Mondays of each week**. Please ask your child to hand it to their class teacher. Thank you.

Attendance Aces

Congratulations to YrR, Yr2 & Yr5 with 100%

| Year Group | This Week (%) | Half Term Points |
|------------|---------------|------------------|
| Reception | 100 | 4 |
| Year 1 | 98.2 | 1 |
| Year 2 | 100 | 3 |
| Year 3 | 96.4 | |
| Year 4 | 97.3 | |
| Year 5 | 100 | 3 |
| Year 6 | 98.6 | |



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SCHOOL DIARY DATES TO KEEP

2017

Spring Term - January-April 2017

Wed 4 Jan-Wed 5 Apr: Silver Birch Swimming lessons
 Every Mon 3.30-4.30pm Mr Finch After School Sports Club-
 (will resume with lighter afternoons)-start date: Mon 27 Feb
 Every Tues 2.30-3.30pm Yr5/6 Ukulele lesson

Fri 7 Apr: 3.30pm School closes for Easter holiday

Summer Term - April-July 2017

Mon 24 Apr: Staff Training Day (School closed to pupils)
 Tue 25 Apr: School re-opens to pupils
 Tue 25 Apr: 3.30-4.30pm Drama Club (Yrs2-6)
 Wed 26 Apr-Wed 19 Jul: Cherry Blossom Swimming lessons
 Tue 2 May: 3.30-4.30pm Drama Club (Yrs2-6)
 Tue 9 May: 3.30-4.30pm Drama Club (Yrs2-6)
 Tue 16 May: 3.30-4.30pm Drama Club (Yrs2-6)
 Thur 18 May: Parent/Carer forum mtg, school hall
 Fri 19 May: Deadline for Yr6 Fellside final balance payments
 Tue 23 May: 3.30-4.30pm Drama Club (Yrs2-6)
 Fri 26 May: School closes for half-term holiday
 Mon 5 Jun: School re-opens to pupils
 Tue 6 Jun: 3.30-4.30pm Drama Club (Yrs2-6)
 Thur 8 Jun: Adventure Photography-class/Yr6 photos
 Tue 13 Jun: 3.30-4.30pm Drama Club (Yrs2-6)
 Mon 19-Fri 23 Jun: Yr 6 Residential to Fellside
 Thur 15 Jun: 2.00pm Sports Day
 Tue 20 Jun: 2.00pm RESERVE Sports Day
 Tue 20 Jun: 3.30-4.30pm Drama Club (Yrs2-6)
 Tue 27 Jun: Yr6 Transition Day @ Spofforth School
 Tue 27 Jun: 3.30-4.30pm Drama Club (Yrs2-6)
 Thur 29 Jun: Parent/Carer forum mtg, school hall
 Tue 4 Jul: pm/eve - Drama Club-Harrogate Theatre performances
 Wed 5 & Thur 6 Jul: King James High School- Yr6 Transition Days
 Wed 12 & Thur 13 Jul: Harrogate Grammar School & Rossett School-Yr6 Transition Days
 Thur 13 Jul: Summer play afternoon dress rehearsal-Village Hall-TBC
 Fri 14 Jul: 6.30pm Summer play performance-Village Hall
 Mon 17 Jul: 2pm Summer play performance-Village Hall
 Fri 21 Jul: 1.30pm Yr 6 Leavers Assembly
 Fri 21 Jul: **2.30pm** School closes for Summer holiday

Mr Shillito's weekly diary for April/May 2017:

| w/c | MON | TUE | WED | THUR | FRI |
|-----------------|--------------------|-----|--------------|------|-----------------|
| w/c 24.04.17 | Staff Training Day | G'B | SCPS/ G'B | SCPS | Offsite meeting |
| w/c 01.05.17 | Bank Holiday | G'B | G'B/ SCPS | SCPS | G'B |
| w/c 08.05.17 | SCPS | G'B | G'B/ SCPS | SCPS | G'B |
| w/c 15.05.17 | SCPS | G'B | G'B/ SCPS | SCPS | G'B |

Please note this may be subject to change

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MR FINCH'S AFTER SCHOOL SPORTS CLUB (KS2) Consent Slip - Academic Year 2016-2017

My child/ren:.....
 would like to attend Mr Finch's after school sports club
 on Monday afternoons during the Academic Year 2016-
 2017 between 3.30-4.30pm

Parent/Carer signature.....

Date.....

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MISS BROWN'S FOREST SCHOOLS CLUB (Yrs 2-6) Consent Slip - SUMMER TERM 1, 2017

My child/ren:.....
 would like to attend **Forest Schools Club** after school
 club on Thursday afternoons during Summer Term 1,
 2017 between 3.30-4.30pm

I enclose £5.00 cash materials cost (please tick)

Parent/Carer signature.....

Date.....

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